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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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INFO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 3732

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: APPARENT ROC POLICY DECISION TO DENY VISAS TO ISRAELI
CITIZENS

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

COMUSTDC FOR J-22

1. DURING PAST WEEK, ROC REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN REFUSING OR IN-
DEFINITELY DELAYING VISA APPROVALS FOR ISRAELIS SEEKING TO
ENTER TAIWAN FROM HONG KONG, TOKYO, MANILA, BANGKOK AND SEOUL.
ACCORDING SEVERAL US AND ISRAELI BUSINESSMEN, MORE THAN A
DOZEN SUCH CASES, INCLUDING REPORTED REFUSAL IN TOKYO OF VISA
APPLICATION FROM ISRAELI MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT.
OTHERS REPORTEDLY WERE TOLD VISA PROCESSING (NORMALLY A 24
HOUR PROCEDURE) WOULD BE DELAYED PENDING INSTRUCTIONS.

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2. WELL-CONNECTED ISRAELI BUSINESSMAN (DAVID BRANDWEIN) TOLD EMBOFF ROC EMBASSY BANGKOK OFFICIAL INFORMED ISRAELI AMBASSADOR THERE THAT VISAS FOR ISRAELIS WITH-HELF ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM ROC FOREIGN MINISTER. ROC EMB-OFF REPORTEDLY COMMENTED THAT ALTHOUGH HIS INSTRUCTIONS UNCLEAR OR DURATION THIS MEASURE, THEY APPARENTLY IN RESPONSE TO ARAB PRESSURES. BRANDWEIN, WHO SPECULATED MEASURE MIGHT BE ONE OUTCOME OF SINO-SAUDI ARABIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT, DEPARTS FOR ISRAEL JUNE 14 TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH GOI OFFICIALS.

3. WHILE RESIDENT ISRAELIS WHO SECURED RE-ENTRY PERMITS PRIOR TO DEPARTING TAIWAN NORMALLY ARE GRANTED ENTRY, SOURCES CITE CASE OF ONE RESIDENT WHO LEFT WITHOUT RE-ENTRY PERMIT AND WAS DENIED RE-ENTRY VISA.

4. WE WILL TRY TO FIND CASUAL WAY TO ELICIT INFORMATION THIS MATTER FROM GROC SOURCES.
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